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OBITUARY

Giulio Supino was born in Florence on October 8th, 1898, and died in Bologna on July 5th, 1978.

He was professor of Hydraulic Construction at the University of Bologna, later professor of Hydraulics, and at this same university was also head of the Engineering Faculty. He was a member of numerous academies: these included the National Academy of the Lincei and many others both in Italy and abroad. He received the degree «honoris causa» from the Technische Hochschule of Munich.

From 1970 to 1973 he was president of AIMETA.

He took part in a number of public works: among these we recall him at the Supreme Council for Public Works at the time of its reconstitution, as a member of the Interministerial Commission for the regularization of the Arno in Florence, after the last flooding, and as President for the Technical and Scientific Committee for the preservation of Venice.

In even these brief notes we can find two aspects of the scientific personality of Giulio Supino: the depth of his intensive research and his strong flair for the technical application of theoretical results. To demonstrate what contrasting abilities were gathered in one mind, one need only quote Supino's theorems on the dynamics of viscous fluids, his demonstration of the principal of De Saint Venant in the fields of convex plains, his extensions of the method of the volume of stemming in hydrographic systems and his dam and acqueduct projects.

His involvement in and his passion for teaching, the seriousness and pugnacity of his works, made Giulio Supino a master of the School of Hydraulics, and «maestro» to all who knew him.

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